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## Business Cards.

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Watchmaking, Pharmacy, Optical Work,  
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**NEW ADS. THIS WEEK.**

Mink Bait Lost.  
The New York Sun.  
Antiseptic Soft Soap.  
No Man Need be Poor.  
Cookery Crafts for Sale.  
Auction Sale of Furniture.  
Just Look—C. C. Bingham.  
Scribner's Magazine for 1897.  
Girl Wanted at 28 Central St.  
Caledonia Bank Stock for Sale.  
Steeple Jack, Chimney Sweeper.  
One Week More—A. D. Rowell Co.  
Com. Notice—Harry M. Goss' Est.  
Passumpsic Savings Bank Meeting.  
Com. Notice—Walter Abbott's Est.  
Busy on the Water—C. B. Simanton.  
It Goes—Barbour's Business College.  
Smoking Jackets—S. A. Moore & Co.  
Pres. of Acad. Donald McQuinn's Est.  
Useful Xmas Gifts—B. D. Steele & Co.  
Don't Watch Our Windows—F. O. Clark.  
Xmas presents—Lounge Bros. & Smythe.  
Clothing, \$40,000 Worth—Wilson & King.

**FRATERNITY MEETINGS.**

**Knights of Pythias.**  
Regular meeting of Apollo Lodge No. 2,  
Tuesday Dec. 22. At this time the rank of  
Peace will be conferred in full form. As this  
is the annual meeting for the nomination of  
officers for the year 1897, it is hoped that  
every member will be present. Uniform  
Rank Drill at 7-30.

**W. W. HUSBAND, C. C.**  
**HENRY W. ELLIS, K. R. S.**

**Knights of Honor, No. 918.**  
Meet second and fourth Tuesday in each  
month in G. A. R. Hall.  
N. M. JOHNSON, Dictator.

**WEATHER RECORD.**  
At Bingham's Drug Store, for the week  
ending December 16, 1896.

	Highest	Lowest
Thursday.....	35	30
Friday.....	30	20
Saturday.....	29	12
Sunday.....	35	8
Monday.....	35	12
Tuesday.....	15	0
Wednesday.....	19	7

**One Day Earlier Next Week.**  
Our regular publication day coming  
next week on Christmas day, we shall  
issue the CALEDONIAN one day earlier,  
mailing the paper next Thursday morn-  
ing. Advertisers and correspondents will  
please take notice and govern themselves  
accordingly.

**LOCAL GATHERINGS.**

—Green Mountain Commandery of the  
order of Golden Cross held their annual  
election of officers this evening.

—Dr. Stiles has bought H. H. Carr's  
interest in the Carr and Stiles' tenement  
block on Clark avenue. Dr. Stiles will  
thoroughly repair the block.

—At their meeting Tuesday the direc-  
tors of Citizens Bank declared their semi-  
annual dividend of 4 per cent to stock-  
holders and 2 per cent to depositors.

—The fireman's ball last Friday night  
was not quite as much of a success finan-  
cially as the boys expected and they are  
planning for another in the near future.

—A first-class preventive of fire is to  
have the chimneys examined and  
thoroughly cleaned. A notice in the  
want column will tell how to get this done.

—W. A. Shaw is getting ready to start  
a steam laundry in the Stanley Opera  
House. Mr. Shaw formerly managed a  
laundry in Sumnerville and is an experi-  
enced laundryman.

—G. N. Smart, proprietor of the barber  
shop in the Republican block, has en-  
gaged A. J. Roy to assist him through  
the winter and he will begin work Mon-  
day. Mr. Roy was the former proprietor.

—Sons of Veterans will give a musical  
and literary entertainment, to conclude  
with refreshments and a promenade, at  
G. A. R. hall Monday evening, Dec. 21.  
Special invitation to members of the G.  
A. R.

—The Golden Cross Commandery will  
give a masquerade promenade and dance  
in Pythian hall Friday evening, Jan. 1.  
A prize will be given for the best costume  
and also one for the most comical cos-  
tume.

—A special meeting of the A. P. A. is  
called in Pythian Hall on Monday even-  
ing, Dec. 21. The president asks us to  
state that as this is a very important  
meeting it is hoped that all members of  
the order will be present.

—All three of the Boston Sunday papers  
now reach here every Sunday morning  
on a special freight about 10 o'clock.  
The papers will be on sale at the news-  
stands at noon and at the St. Johns-  
bury House through the day.

—The "Get There Club" of Whitefield  
are arranging for the annual ball of the  
Maine Central railroad to be held in  
Whitefield on New Year's night. The St.  
Johnsbury Orchestra will furnish the  
music and a grand time is anticipated.

—J. C. Mooney of West Concord, agent  
of the Phoenix, Mutual Life Insurance Co.  
of Hartford, is distributing some hand-  
some four-page calendars with pictures  
of the naval battles of the war of 1812  
and the generals who fought in the bat-  
tles.

—The Caledonia Lodge of Odd Fellows  
has sent the first inmate to the Odd Fel-  
lows' home at Ludlow, and the member  
is Peter Stewart, who left here last week  
Thursday. Mr. Stewart is troubled with  
rheumatism and not able to take care of  
himself.

—Mr. Cowles of Hardwick, brother of  
Jefferson Cowles of Pearl street, while  
making the turn from Portland street to  
St. Mary street Monday was thrown  
out and had a leg badly broken in two  
places. The accident was caused by the  
sleigh slewing.

—The first annual railroad ball under  
the auspices of the Moose River and  
Blodgett lodges comes on the evening of  
December 31st. Beedle's orchestra of  
Keene, N. H., has been engaged for the  
occasion and the managers intend to  
give "the ball of the season."

—Cavanaugh Brothers sold a carload  
of Iowa horses at auction at Bailey &  
Annis' stable Tuesday. The auction at-  
tracted a number of people and the sin-  
gle horses sold for about \$50 and the  
pairs at \$125. The horses were much  
larger than the Vermont Morgans and  
were mostly bought by the farmers.

—The centennial edition of the Orleans  
County Monitor is a most creditable  
piece of newspaper work. It is a sketch  
of a thriving town for 100 years, from  
1796 to 1896, by J. H. Walbridge, who  
has written up its past and present in a  
most thorough manner. The edition  
contains 100 pages with a large number  
of illustrations.

—"Wellesley Lyrics" is the title of a  
pretty little volume of poems written by  
students and graduates of Wellesley col-  
lege, with introduction by Alice Freeman  
Palmer. The poems are selected and  
published by Cordelia C. Nevers. Miss  
Nevers is a graduate of the Academy in  
the class of '89 and two of the poems se-  
lected are written by Miss Mabel Car-  
penter of this place, a graduate of the  
Academy and former Wellesley student.  
The book will be on sale at F. O. Clark's.

—Our readers get a bulky paper this  
week, but we are sure they will find lots  
of interesting reading. Besides the two-  
page supplement there is given to all  
Vermont subscribers a resume of the  
laws passed at the last session. A new  
feature of the paper will be a Washington  
letter written by O. P. Austin and hav-  
ing special reference to New England in-  
terests. The CALEDONIAN never had so  
many friends as it has today and we are  
constantly increasing our list of new  
subscribers.

—Rev. Thomas Tyrie gave an interest-  
ing talk to the students of Barbour's  
Business College last Friday morning on  
"Business Habits." Excellent work is  
being done in this college and the 40 or  
more students are receiving a practical  
business training that will soon be of  
great use to them. This is the second  
year of the school. Last year was a suc-  
cess but the increase this year is more  
than gratifying to Prof. Barbour. The  
college has been enlarged, new typewrit-  
ers purchased and other improvements  
made. Pictures were recently taken of  
the rooms with the students in their  
places, which will probably appear in a  
future prospectus.

**Village Caucus.**—A citizens caucus has  
been called in the Town Hall next Tues-  
day evening to nominate the officers to be  
elected at the annual village meeting  
on Wednesday, Jan. 6, 1897. By the  
provisions of the new law all the terms  
of the village trustees expire next Janu-  
ary and the citizens will elect three trust-  
ees to serve for one year each. Messrs.  
Hazen and Cheney of the present board  
will absolutely decline a re-election. We  
have not seen Messrs. Russell and Ran-  
dall so do not know how they feel about  
the matter. George P. Moore is willing  
to abide by the decision of the citizens  
and will serve another year if re-elected.  
Charles A. Calderwood is willing to  
trustee another year, though he is not  
soliciting any votes. A new collector of  
taxes will have to be nominated and N.  
M. Johnson is a candidate for this po-  
sition, a place he has filled once before  
in past years. The caucus is called in the  
evening to allow everybody to attend  
and every voter in the village ought to  
be there.

## PERSONALS.

Mrs. Judson Evans and children are in  
Boston on a visit.

Rev. M. Atwood preached at West  
Derby last Sunday.

Ned C. Stiles will enter the Burlington  
Medical college next month.

"Sutton" Campbell spent a few days  
in Lebanon, N. H., last week.

Dennis May was in New Hampshire the  
first of the week on a business trip.

Miss Flora Simpson is in Boston doing  
steno-graphy work for Martin L. Hall &  
Co.

Miss Elsie Ranney has classes in phys-  
ical culture at Barton and Barton Land-  
ing.

Horace Randall is working on a three  
weeks' carpentering contract in Water-  
ville.

Mrs. Arthur R. Brooks of Olcott has  
come to her old home to spend the holi-  
days.

Mrs. J. Frank Moore left for New York  
Monday morning, where she will spend  
the winter.

Eddie McCutcheon has entered the  
telephone exchange, where he will assist  
Harvey Webb.

J. H. Walbridge is writing up the town  
of Haverhill for a special edition of the  
Bradford Opinion.

William, son of Rev. Thomas Tyrie, is  
here for the holidays. He is studying  
architecture in Brooklyn.

Miss Winifred, daughter of L. W.  
Rowell, is home from Boston for a vaca-  
tion through the holidays.

Miss Wilde, teacher in the Sumnerville  
school, is spending her vacation at her  
home in Cambridge, Mass.

Hon. Chauncey W. Brownell of Burl-  
ington, secretary of state, was in town  
Wednesday on a short visit.

George Cary is in Boston taking treat-  
ment for deafness. Mr. Cary's many  
friends hope he will find relief.

Mrs. A. L. Hardy is visiting friends in  
Connecticut. Her mother, Mrs. Allis, is  
staying here during her absence.

Miss Winona Snow of Burlington was  
in town over Sunday. Miss Snow has  
a position in the telephone central office  
in that city.

Master Leigh Noyes gave a birthday  
party on Tuesday evening in honor of his  
11th birthday and entertained his friends  
very pleasantly.

E. E. Blakeley, vice president of the  
Vermont Savings Investment Co. of  
Montpelier, was in town this week on a  
short business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Humphrey and  
daughter of Boston have been visiting  
friends in town. Mr. Humphrey was  
formerly of the firm of Brown & Hum-  
phrey.

Rev. Joseph Hamilton attended a  
preachers' meeting at Derby Center last  
week. He returned Tuesday accompa-  
nied by Rev. I. P. Chase, former pastor  
of the Methodist church at St. Johnsbury  
Center, who will stop here a few days.

Mrs. H. H. Hoyt, who has been a great  
sufferer for several months, was taken to  
the Mary Hitchcock Hospital last week  
and the good news comes from Hanover  
that she is much better and hopes are  
entertained of her ultimate recovery.

W. J. Denver of Boston, assistant man-  
ager of the New England Telephone &  
Telegraph Co., and J. H. Barry, superin-  
tending, have been here the past week  
consulting with Manager Bingham in re-  
gard to the new switchboard soon to  
be added to the St. Johnsbury office.

The many friends of Rev. Dr. George H.  
Ide of Milwaukee, a native of this town,  
will be interested to learn of his condi-  
tion. He is now at a Chicago hospital  
where he has had a very dangerous oper-  
ation performed. He will be kept from  
preaching for a couple of months and  
then will have to resume work very gradu-  
ally. Dr. Ide is doing well at the hos-  
pital and has the love and sympathy of  
the whole city of Milwaukee in his severe  
illness.

**Teachers' Association.**—The Pas-  
sumpsic Teachers' association was form-  
ed here last Saturday, eight Academy and  
high school teachers meeting to start the  
organization. The following officers were  
elected:

President, Fremont L. Pugsley, Lyndon  
Center; vice-president, H. J. Stannard,  
Barton; secretary and treasurer, W. A.  
Bebe, Morrisville; executive committee,  
F. L. Pugsley, Lyndon Center, David V.  
Comstock, St. Johnsbury, Edward L.  
Nye, Barton Landing.

The object of this association as stated  
in the constitution is to "promote mutual  
consultation and concerted action upon  
all matters affecting the interests of se-  
condary education and to secure fraternal  
relations among its members." It is  
especially hoped that something may be  
done toward securing a better co-relation  
between the course of study followed in  
the common schools and that of the  
secondary schools. The first regular  
meeting will be held at St. Johnsbury  
Academy on the third Saturday in Janu-  
ary.

**Supreme Court Reporter.**—W. P.  
Stafford has been appointed supreme  
court reporter to succeed C. A. Prouty of  
Newport, resigned. This appointment  
came to Mr. Stafford from the supreme  
court judges wholly unsolicited and a  
number of the leading lawyers in the  
state hoped the position would come to  
them. Mr. Stafford's fine legal mind  
and literary tastes make him exception-  
ally qualified for the position.

**The South Church Sale.**—The ladies  
of the South church held their annual sale  
on Tuesday evening, the chief attraction  
of the sale being the new calendars.  
These sold at 85 cents singly, with reduc-  
tions from this price if more were taken  
at a time. The calendars sold very well  
and were highly spoken of. Besides these  
there was a good sale of Cookery Craft,  
the price of which has been reduced 25  
cents for each style of binding. The cal-  
endars will be on sale the rest of the  
month at the Fairbanks dry goods store  
and may be obtained either of Mr. Hunt  
or Miss Russell.

**The Shoe Factory.**—President Mac-  
kinnon of the Board of Trade appointed  
a committee of five to solicit subscrip-  
tions for the shoe factory and this com-  
mittee has been at work during the week.  
They have held no meeting yet so we are  
unable to state how much of the stock  
has been subscribed, but we have seen  
several of the papers and the stock is  
being taken in small lots quite generally.  
The CALEDONIAN hopes that our people  
will take hold of this matter and take  
enough stock to get the factory here. It  
is not a large sum to raise and as soon  
as it is raised Mr. Stocker will come here  
and begin to manufacture shoes.

**Fireman's Ball.**—With a larger at-  
tendance the fireman's ball last Friday  
evening would have been a great success.  
The gallery was crowded and the concert  
by the American orchestra of Lowell,  
Mass., was fine. In the grand march  
there were only 19 couples but later there  
were not far from 40 couples on the  
floor. The decorations were pretty, con-  
sisting of flags, bunting, tissue paper de-  
signs and a row of about 100 electric  
lights around the gallery railing. The  
supper served by the Ladies' Relief Corps  
was first-class, satisfactory to everyone.  
The boys spared no expense and put in  
some hard work in arranging the hall,  
but the times are a little too close to al-  
low many to put several dollars into a  
night's dancing.

**Another Greenhouse.**—C. F. Gibbs,  
St. Johnsbury's well-known florist, has  
added another greenhouse to his well-  
equipped plant and will enter the winter  
season with the largest and best set of  
greenhouses of any florist in the state.  
The new house adjoins the last one he  
built and is 20 by 150 feet with a small  
propagating house attached. The new  
building is well filled with pinks, azaleas,  
heliotropes and many other well-known  
varieties of flowering plants and is built  
after the most approved pattern. The  
frame is of iron and the panes of glass  
are 14 by 28 inches, giving splendid light  
and attracting the warm rays of the sun  
all the year round. In striking contrast  
to the new building is the old greenhouse  
built by Mr. Closson in 1870. This was  
considered at the time a model structure,  
but is a low, small building and the  
panes of glass are only six by eight inches.

Mr. Gibbs has a large variety of cut  
flowers and plants for the Christmas  
trade and will fill any orders promptly.  
In all his greenhouses there are 4000 car-  
nation plants, 500 rose bushes and one  
house devoted entirely to English violets.  
Mr. Gibbs has been established in St.  
Johnsbury 16 years and has earned his  
success by hard work and a close atten-  
tion to all the details of his business.

**Officers Elected.**—Moose River En-  
campment elected the following officers  
last Friday evening: C. P. E. H. Bazin;  
H. P. L. G. Lockwood; S. W. J. G.  
Gage; R. S. O. C. Amidon; F. S. S. H.  
Kent; treas., C. A. Miles; J. W. J. S.  
Sanborn.

Tuesday evening Olive Branch lodge of  
Rebekahs elected the following officers:  
N. G. Mrs. Abbie Underwood; V. G.,  
Mrs. J. S. Sanborn; sec., Mrs. Percy  
Amidon; financial sec., Mrs. S. H. Kent;  
treas., Mrs. Emily Miles.

The New England Order of Protection  
will hold their annual election of officers  
Saturday evening.

Sherman Court, No. 627, Catholic Or-  
der of Foresters, held a meeting in their  
hall Wednesday evening. The election of  
officers to serve for one year was held  
and the following were elected: Chief  
ranger, W. D. Brown; vice chief ranger,  
T. J. Tierney; recording secretary, C. T.  
Lynch; financial secretary, G. W. Cald-  
beck; treasurer, William Welch; medical  
examiner, Dr. Prevost; trustees, Daniel  
Lynch, John Banahan, Thomas Leonard;  
representative to state court, John R.  
Corbett; alternate, W. A. Patterson.  
Installation of officers January 6th.

**Christmas.**—The main question now  
agitating the minds of the people, rich  
and poor, married and single, is, what  
shall we buy for Christmas gifts? Every-  
body wants to make a few gifts. All  
have families, relatives, or friends to  
whom they wish to show some token of  
affection and esteem, and in no way can it  
be better done than by some little remem-  
brance on Christmas day. The pecuni-  
ary value of the gift does not matter, it  
may be greater or less, but if it tells the  
simple story of love and esteem that is  
all that is needed. In our village stores  
can be found useful articles to please  
everybody and at prices to suit all sizes  
of purses. The preference for useful arti-  
cles over nicknacks is more than ever  
noticeable this year and the merchants  
have purchased their Christmas stocks  
accordingly. It is not a year for spend-  
ing even a few cents on some nonsensical  
article that will lie around for a few days  
and then disappear. Times are close,  
money is scarce and prudent people will  
do their Christmas buying accordingly.

**At the Association.**—The men's meet-  
ing last Sunday had a large attendance.  
Rev. Frank Appleton gave a brief but  
pointed address. C. H. Woods of Pas-  
sumpsic sang several solos and the Asso-  
ciation orchestra furnished music.

Basket ball teams will be organized as  
soon as the gymnasium opens which will  
be next week. Invitations have been re-  
ceived for games with other Association  
teams.

The evening classes in book-keeping,  
penmanship and mechanical drawing  
have not yet been started as the required  
number have not enrolled. The com-  
mittee have decided to hold the application  
books open until January 1st, at which  
date instruction will begin if the number  
of students in any class reaches twelve.  
Only a few more are needed.

The religious work committee are pre-  
paring a very interesting series of Sun-  
day services, January 3d a New Year's  
musical service will be held. Rev. James  
L. Hill, D. D., of Salem, Mass., one of the  
trustees of the United Society of Chris-  
tian Endeavor, is to give a lecture for  
men before the Association on Sunday,  
Jan. 10.

**Christmas Sales.**—Private exhibition  
and sales of artistic needlework, hand  
painted novelties and decorated china  
have been the correct thing to attend the  
past few days, and those who could re-  
spond to the invitations received have  
most gladly availed themselves of the op-  
portunity to see, if not able to purchase  
such dainty specimens of artistic work.

Tuesday afternoon Miss Puffer exhib-  
ited at the home of Mrs. John C. Clark,  
a most fascinating assortment of em-  
broideries on linen, consisting of sofa  
pillows, center pieces, picture frames,  
doylies, etc. Yesterday Misses Patterson  
and Bullard received and will today re-  
ceive their friends at their respective  
homes, the former having on exhibition  
many pretty, useful and odd articles  
decorated in water colors; also posters,  
landscapes and other watercolor studies,  
which won many expressions of admira-  
tion from the visitors. Miss Rebecca  
Bullard has a large display of beautifully  
decorated china articles, conspicuous  
among them being a chocolate set of  
exquisite design and coloring, plates,  
trays, cheese plates, vases both stand-  
ard and hanging, cups and saucers, pin  
trays, bon bon dishes, picture frames  
and many other articles, any one of  
which would make a most acceptable  
Christmas gift.

For those who have not yet completed  
their Christmas shopping, this is an excel-  
lent opportunity to find "just the thing"  
for gifts to one's friends, an opportunity  
that should not be missed.

**County Court.**—Last week Thursday  
the jury was excused until Tuesday morn-  
ing, when the case of Charles Weeks, ad-  
ministrator, vs. St. J. & L. C. R. R. Co.,  
was begun. W. P. Stafford and J. P.  
Lamson appeared for the plaintiff, Harry  
Blodgett, John Young and C. S. Shurtleff  
for the defendant. On January 5, George  
Blodgett, a brakeman of St. Johnsbury,  
fell in the railroad yard while making up  
a train, a car passed over his left arm  
and amputation was necessary. He  
never recovered and died two days after.  
Plaintiff claims accident was caused by  
Mr. Blodgett catching his foot on a sharp  
projection of a guard rail, let there be  
criminal neglect of defendant. Plaintiff's  
testimony was concluded early in the  
afternoon. Upon motion of the defendant's  
counsel, the court ordered a verdict for  
the defendant on ground that plaintiff  
had failed to establish his claim. The  
case will go to the supreme court for de-  
cision of three principal law points in-  
volved, viz.: The fact that the accident  
occurred while working Sunday, care-  
lessness on the part of employee, and  
threatened danger understood when a  
man is engaged by the railroad company.

Arthur Sanford of Marshfield, charged  
with breaking and disturbing the public  
peace and assaulting Alexander Spicer of

Pencham and others July 26 last, pleaded  
guilty and was fined \$50 and cosisor  
alternative sentence in the House of Cor-  
rection.

Wednesday morning Frank Bishop of  
Newark pleaded guilty of assault. Fined  
\$10 and costs.

Joseph Fennoff of Barnet pleaded guilty  
of breaking and disturbing the public  
peace. Fined \$20 and costs, or alternate  
fine in house of correction.

In case of Fred S. Emery v. Nellie B.  
Emery bill granted for adultery. Addie  
Ricker v. Fred D. Ricker bill granted for  
wilful desertion. Custody of minor chil-  
dren given to petitioner.

Hubert W. Brooks of St. Johnsbury,  
naturalized.

Wednesday afternoon jury was im-  
paneled in case of State v. John B. Cota,  
charged with adultery. This case  
is being tried as the paper goes to  
press. State's Attorney Taylor is as-  
sisted by W. A. Dutton, Dunnett &  
Slack for respondent.

The jury men with the exception of  
those on above case have been dismissed  
and court will adjourn this week.

**Among Our Advertisers.**—F. O.  
Clark's store is a busy place these days  
and he has engaged extra help for the  
holiday trade. He carries an unusually  
large line of staple articles and his store  
is filled with suitable gifts at a very  
reasonable price.

E. & T. Fairbanks & Co. have sur-  
passed all previous efforts in window  
decoration and their fine displays are  
worthy of a city department store. The  
south window is especially attractive  
and the little child descending the stairs  
is a bit of realism that delights people of  
all ages.

S. A. Moore & Co. talk about a house  
jacket in this week's paper, but besides  
these most suitable gifts for gentlemen  
they have a store well-filled with clothing  
and gents' furnishing goods marked at  
prices that are sure to attract buyers.

A. D. Rowell Co.'s store windows are  
worth watching these days. Yesterday  
one window was filled with beautiful  
pieces of silverware and the other with  
choice books. The store is as attractive  
as the window display and presents for  
the whole family can be found there.

In one window of C. C. Bingham's  
store there is the sign "Look in the other  
window" and when you have done so  
you find the same sign there. So in order  
to do justice to his Christmas stock you  
must look in both windows and you may  
find just what you want if you look in-  
side the store. It will not be the prop-  
rietor's fault if you do not find what  
you want for he has selected a large  
stock of holiday goods and they are ar-  
tistically arranged in the store.

E. D. Steele & Co. take a large space  
this week to tell the people what a large  
line of goods they have for gentlemen  
and a look into their store will convince  
one that they have been telling the truth  
about the amount of their stock. They  
quote prices on many articles so the pro-  
spective buyer can tell just the cost of  
the article he wants.

Wilson & King have two prettily ar-  
ranged windows, advertising their large  
stock of shoes and furnishing goods.  
They offer \$40,000 worth of goods in  
their stores at St. Johnsbury and Little-  
ton at a great sacrifice. Their adv. in  
another column tells the story.

E. N. Randall has an excellent display  
in his three big show windows. The  
center window is the children's favorite,  
trimmed with evergreen and containing  
a Christmas tree. In this department  
store gifts can be found to please every-  
body, from the babies up.

C. G. Bruley, the shoe dealer on Rail-  
road street, has all the latest things in  
the boot and shoe line and never fails to  
give satisfaction.

For anything in the novelty line call on  
Boynton & Eastman. If your boy has a  
sporting tendency Boynton & Eastman  
can furnish the necessary equipment in  
most any line.

Arthur F. Walker distributed this week  
delicate samples of sachet powder, which  
called attention incidentally to his choice  
line of holiday gifts. His lower window  
is very effectively arranged with season-  
able gifts with a red background.

Flint Brothers have added a line of  
special holiday gifts in addition to their  
regular line of silverware, stationery,  
and small fancy goods. Besides a large  
line of holiday goods they carry a big  
line of 1897 diaries.

F. G. Bundy's window has an attrac-  
tive display of shoes, which is suggestive  
of the many styles and varieties within.  
For farmers and teamsters he has a  
special line of wool-lined or grain water-  
proof boots.

Lougee Bros. & Smythe have their two  
large windows filled with several thou-  
sand articles as samples of what they  
have on their counters and shelves.  
Fancy fur novelties, shopping bags, um-  
brellas, towels, table sets, bed blankets,  
etc., are among the many useful articles  
on which they are offering bargains.

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